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SUBJECT: SENIOR-LEVEL RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT TRAVEL TO MIDDLE
EAST IN COMING PERIOD

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(SBU) DURING A NOVEMBER 13 LUNCHEON OF G-8 AMBASSADORS,
HOSTED BY THE RUSSIAN ENVOY TO CAIRO, THE AMBASSADOR LEARNED
THAT RUSSIAN PRESIDENT PUTIN PLANNED TO VISIT THE ARAB
QUARTET (SAUDI ARABIA, JORDAN, QATAR, AND EGYPT) THIS COMING
JANUARY. ACCORDING TO THE RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR, RUSSIAN
FOREIGN MINISTER LAVROV HAD ALSO ACCEPTED AN INVITATION FROM
THE EGYPTIAN FOREIGN MINISTER TO VISIT LUXOR IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING CONCLUSION OF THE FORUM FOR THE FUTURE MEETING
DECEMBER 1-2 IN AMMAN, JORDAN. EGYPTIAN FM ABOUL GHEIT AND
LAVROV PLAN TO VISIT LUXOR TOGETHER ON THE RUSSIAN MINISTERS
AIRCRAFT.

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